

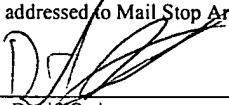
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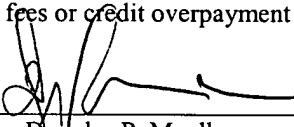
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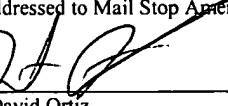
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Dear Sir:

In response to the Office Action mailed September 21, 2004, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

Amendments to the Specification begin on page 2 of this paper.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims that begins on page 5 of this paper.

Amendments to the Drawings begin on page 12 of this paper and include both an attached replacement sheet and an annotated sheet showing changes in the Appendix.

Remarks begin on page 13 of this paper.

An **Appendix** including amended drawing figures is attached following page 15 of this paper.